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In the Claims:

- 1. (currently amended) A skateboard leash adapted to be attached to a skateboard comprising:
- a mounting strap adapted to be mounted transversely around a skateboard platform;
- a swivel joint mechanism connected to said mounting strap; and

an elongated strap assembly connected to said swivel joint mechanism, said elongated strap assembly having an outer free end, a <u>spherical</u> bulbous member mounted at said outer free end, whereby said bulbous member is adapted to be grasped by the rider with a pulling force to be applied to said elongated strap assembly which will hold the skateboard against the rider's feet when performing aerial maneuvers.

Claims 2-4 (canceled)

- 5. (currently amended) A skateboard leash adapted to be attached to a skateboard comprising:
- a mounting strap adapted to be mounted transversely around a skateboard platform;
 - a swivel joint mechanism connected to said mounting

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<u>strap;</u>

an elongated strap assembly connected to said swivel joint, said elongated strap assembly having an outer free end, a bulbous member mounted at said outer free end, whereby said bulbous member is adapted to be grasped by the rider with a pulling force to be applied to said elongated strap assembly which will hold the skateboard against the rider's feet when performing aerial maneuvers; and

The skateboard leash as defined in Claim 1 wherein:

- a length adjusting strap assembly mounted between said swivel joint and said elongated strap assembly, whereby said length adjusting strap assembly is to permit the rider to adjust the overall length of said skateboard leash in order to accommodate to individual requirements.
- 6. (currently amended) A skateboard leash adapted to be attached to a skateboard comprising:
- a mounting strap adapted to be mounted transversely around a skateboard platform;
- a swivel joint mechanism connected to said mounting strap;
- an elongated strap assembly connected to said swivel joint, said elongated strap assembly having an outer free end, a

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bulbous member mounted at said outer free end, whereby said bulbous member is adapted to be grasped by the rider with a pulling force to be applied to said elongated strap assembly which will hold the skateboard against the rider's feet when performing aerial maneuvers; and

The skateboard leash as defined in Claim 1 wherein:

said elongated strap assembly including an folded over

inner elastic tube mounted within a covering tube.